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EDITORIAL

THE WORLD'S WORST PEST

Now comes criticism of the world's most despicable character—a creature commonly living, mingling and paying bills just like we all are.

The chief difference between this insidious type of person and human beings is the peculiar way in which he tries to rise above his fellow workers, friends and those not so intimate.

Following the course of least resistance, and of most destruction, he attempts to boost himself above the multitude, not by elevating himself, but by lowering others. Which is about as helpful as shouting "police" in a speakeasy's den.

Alas, this being of bad impressions is with us everywhere. And for no good reason at all.

His is about the only personal fault listerine isn't advertised to cure.

JAPAN TAKES MANCHURIA

Since Kaiser Wilhelm promoted peace on the earth by stealthily crossing the Holland border at night and taking up his residence at Doorn, we have not heard so much about anyone endeavoring or any one nation offering to take over all the affairs of the world and running them according to his or its own pleasure or fancy. It is true that we have had fulminations from Mr. Mussolini about making the European skies black with airplanes but thus far he is comparatively peaceable and still on his own side of the fence.

It is true that the Russians claim to expect the whole world will go into the Soviet union, but they are trying to bring this about by the radio and the printing press rather than by machine guns and poison gas.

On the mainland of Europe, France has taken the place of Germany as the nightmare of western civilization. What she proposes to do with great fleets of airplanes nobody knows for sure, but the British air force says that on the same day that London is attacked, Paris will be wiped off the map, and as that would dispose of both Britain and France we are left with but two great militaristic powers in the world.

As we write, those two great powers, America in the west, world, and Japan in the far eastern hemisphere are glaring at each other and apparently almost ready to spring at each other's throats. These two countries, Japan and America, have points in common. Between them they have two out of three biggest navies in the world. They can each draw upon a reserve of millions of soldiers, and it is a curious fact that neither of these countries has ever sustained a military defeat or even been subjected to serious military reverses.

It is difficult for a western person to picture to himself the reasoning processes of an Oriental mind, but it is a fact that there are millions of people in Japan who honestly believe that their imperial family descended from God and that it is destined ultimately to have the whole world under its sway. With this thought in mind, consider the following statement which appeared in Niroku, a Japanese newspaper:

"The Imperial family of Japan is as worthy of respect as is God, and is the embodiment of benevolence and justice. The Imperial family of Japan is parent not only over 60,000,000 people, but of all mankind on earth. In the eyes of the Imperial family all races are but one and the same. It stands above all racial considerations. All human disputes, therefore, may be settled in accordance with its immaculate justice."

To a westerner such a statement seems laughable, but it does not seem so amusing even to a westerner when, as now seems to be the case, Japan reaches out and puts China in its lunch basket as easily as a boy picks apples off a tree and while she protests that she has no intention whatever of doing the very thing she is actually engaged in doing.

We are not certain that there

will be war between Japan and the United States. We earnestly hope that the secretary of state, Mr. Stimson, will back down and let the Japanese have their own way in China, for they will have it anyway until the Lord himself gets ready to stop them; but as recent exchanges of notes have been of a very threatening nature, it seems quite in order for us at this time to gain some idea of what Japan and the Japanese are like, so that if a crushing defeat should await Uncle Sam in a war in the far east some of the people here at home would not be taken entirely unawares.—The Golden Age.

SIZE OF THE RELIEF PROBLEM

Some idea of the size of the relief problem faced in the United States can be gathered from the fact that at its height Belgium relief called for an expenditure of \$900,000 a month while in New York City alone the expenditure will run to at least \$1,000,000 a month. In the state of Oregon one person in every seven is in need of relief. In the capital of the country it was found that some of the men given emergency employment in the parks had not eaten for three days prior thereto.

THE JOBLESS IN FLORIDA

Florida is having a hard time this winter to discriminate between the two kinds of jobless. She would like to welcome to her fine hotels a vast army of what may be called the "prosperous" jobless, but the number of these has been limited this winter, while enough of the other kind of jobless have arrived in side-door pullmans to eat up all the profits. It is estimated that it is costing \$50,000 a day to take care of the jobless who have come from other states.

AMERICA'S RUDE AWAKENING

The New York correspondent of the London Daily News Chronicle says:

"The American people have had a rude awakening from their dream of national self-sufficiency. Mr. Hoover, a national scapegoat because he first denied the existence of the depression, and then said it was all over and done with, is now face to face with realities. He is understood to be opposed still to an organized scheme of permanent state assistance, because he fears that with the dole America may go the same way as England. The question is whether America may go further than England without the dole.

NO MONEY IN MURDER

Dr. Thornwell Jacobs, president of Oglethorpe university, is unconvinced that there is any profit in murder. He reasons this way: The first effect of the World war was the destruction of all markets for American goods; then the Allies gained control of the Atlantic ocean and made huge purchases in America, with incident profits immense in size realized here. Then the Allies were virtually whipped and America, in order to save her profits, went into the war, and in so doing loaned thousands of millions of dollars with the understanding that it would be paid back after the war. After the war the banks loaned thousands of millions of dollars to our former enemies. Now all of these loans, national and individual, are in jeopardy, and the profits have disappeared in the greatest deflation ever known. The conclusion is that whether it is right or not, it is very doubtful if any money is to be made out of murder.

EASY WAY TO MAKE \$11

Early in December, in a colored church some 20 miles out of Moultrie, Ga., Nathan Worthy was invited to preach. He said he needed \$7 and passed the collection plate after the sermon. When it came back empty Worthy whipped out a pistol from under his coat and waved it at the congregation. "Look hyah, chillun," he said, "when I say I need seben dollahs, I means I need seben dollahs. Dey ain't nary one o' you brethern or sistern leavin' dis church until I get dat seben dollahs." The collection plate went round again and returned with \$11.05.

Making a generous estimate of the value of the sermon, let us agree that it was worth a nickel. Nathan made a clear \$11 on the transaction. We made an investigation of this case and found that the story is substantially correct.—The Golden Age.

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V—THE BETRAYAL

All the while that Isees was hidden in His mountain retreat the people, especially His enemies, clamored loudly for His appearance before them and proof that He was really the Son of Kamookumchux and possessed of divine powers.

But His haven of refuge was not discovered until He had almost reached maturity.

Then came a disastrous season for the redmen. Because of climatic conditions there was a scarcity of the usual fruits and vegetation which the Indians gathered. Also for some strange reason the hunters were unsuccessful and but few fish could be caught in the streams and lakes.

Consequently the Indians suffered much from hunger and demanded more vociferously than ever that Isees help them if He could.

It was at this time that one of the supposed friends with Isees betrayed His whereabouts and a delegation sought Him out and forced Him to accompany them. Meanwhile the redmen had gathered upon the shore of a lake to await His coming and when He appeared they angrily demanded that He provide them with food.

A canoe was anchored nearby and Isees, pointing toward it, calmly told them to go to it and help themselves to all the fish they wished. The people were amazed and skeptical for they could see that the canoe was empty. Nevertheless they approached it and, as they did so, fish began to jump into the canoe and soon it was full and as fast as they took them away more leaped in until they were fully supplied.

Isees then went to the villages and performed many other miracles.

First He made a horse sick and it died and when the Indians were fully satisfied that the horse was dead Isees brought it back to life.

And even as the people marveled and asked how He did it, He turned the horse into a white rabbit and it ran off across the plain.

The blind were then brought to Him and cured.

First He made a chalk mark about the sightless eyes and then dipping His hands in ashes He rubbed out the chalk, always rubbing from the nose outward and meanwhile asking Kamookumchux to restore the sight.

Then He covered the patient's face with a cloth and sprinkled it with water held in His mouth and when the cloth was removed the patient could see.

In similar ways He cured the deformed and the lame and the sick and the redmen believed in Him and knew that He was truly the Son of Kamookumchux.

(To be continued.)

WHEAT THE PERFECT FOOD

Recognizing that unmilled whole wheat is a perfect food, containing in its bran, husk and germ all the necessary vitamins, oils, starches and proteins, Dr. Lloyd Arnold, professor of bacteriology and preventive medicine at the University of Illinois, has come out advocating that in these hard times there is no reason for anybody to starve when wheat can be had for so little money. Dr. Arnold has been experimenting on his own family and in his own kitchen, with the making and use of wheat soup, wheat muffins, wheat croquettes, wheat pie, wheat pudding, and whole wheat, boiled six hours, which, seasoned with salt, and served with milk and sugar, makes about the best possible breakfast food. Dr. Arnold found that in a week's time his family consumed only four pounds of wheat, and there are 60 pounds in a bushel. The experimental bushel cost but 63 cents.

RETAILER VISITS HERE

J. C. Yakel, who has been engaged in the dairy business for the past six years in Madera county, Calif., has returned to southern Oregon to resume his Rawleigh retailing business.

Mr. Yakel's territory includes the west half of Jackson county. He comes to this district with splendid bank references, just recently selling out his ranch equipment, and has spent the past week or so calling on his old acquaintances, introducing his line and making new friends.

ROADS AUTHORIZE LOWER RATES TO FRUITGROWERS

Raymond Reter, president of the Rogue River Traffic association, was notified this week by A. S. Rosenbaum of the Southern Pacific that a \$1.25 per box rate on pears to eastern and Gulf ports for export, has been authorized at a meeting of the Eastern Freight Lines Traffic managers in Chicago.

This rate applies to minimum loads of 30,000 and is subject to the concurrence of the eastern lines. The project is one which the traffic association has been steadily working and the members hope that the eastern lines will take favorable action.

The prevailing rate is \$1.73. The reduction would mean much to local fruit interests, who have been agitating for its adoption for some time.

● Jim Winingham, who has been mining on Forest creek, was in Jacksonville this week flashing several \$2 nuggets to astonished townsmen and offered proof that his efforts have been far from wasted recently.

DENMARK HAS CRISIS

Their only market upset by the sudden entry of Britain into the high tariff ranks, Danish farmers are in great trouble. Pigs bring so little money that it does not pay to take them to market. One farmer who tried to sell six found no buyer and turned them loose in the woods rather than go to the trouble to take them back home.

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MORE WOMEN IN BUSINESS

In 30 years, owing largely to the development of machinery which now does in factories most of the work once done in homes, the number of women in business has risen from 5,319,397 to 10,778,794. While the number of women in business has thus risen about 100 per cent, the number of men in business has increased about 30 per cent.

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HUNT SHARKS OFF AFRICA

Sharks are hunted off South Africa with nets 600 feet long and 50 feet deep. Sometimes sharks weighing as much as 1000 pounds are caught. Nothing is wasted. Shark leather is tough, of extremely fine grain, and much used for shoes, bags and gloves. The meat is palatable. The fins are sent to China, as also are the teeth. Paints, drugs, varnish, soap and fertilizer are obtained from parts of the carcasses.

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